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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to a August 16, 2006, Office Action, please consider the below-referenced amendments and remarks. Initially, applicants wish to express their appreciation for the courtesy shown by Primary Examiner F. Backer to applicants' undersigned agent during an in-person interview on February 1, 2007, to discuss the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejection cited in the Office Action.